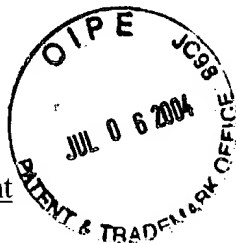


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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 5 of this paper.